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REMARKS

The Application presently comprises claims 1-15, 18 and 19. Claims 16 and 17 are cancelled by the present amendment.

Rejection of Claims 16 and 17 Under 35 U.S.C. §103

Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection, but have cancelled claims 16 and 17 to place the application in condition for allowance.

Interview Summary

Marc D. Machtinger, who is the attorney of record, the examiner, and Mr. Tony Lambert, who is a Canadian patent agent representing the applicant, engaged in a telephone conference about the rejection of claims 16 and 17 on September 23, 2005. The applicant argued that claims 16 and 17 were not obvious. The examiner disagreed. No agreement was reached. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, and allowance of the claims, is respectfully requested.

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Conclusion

In view of the above Amendments and Remarks, Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance, and seeks early indication of the same. If the Examiner requires further information with respect to this application, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant at (847) 537-3537 for a telephonic interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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